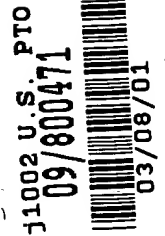


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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Atsuo TERAOKA, Fumiaki TSUDA, and Hideo OHYABU
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING THERMOPLASTIC RESIN FOAM
Our Ref. Q63505

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including thirty-two (32) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, two (2) sheets of drawings, Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449 with references, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	16 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	2 - 3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$710.00
TOTAL FILING FEE							\$710.00
Recordation of Assignment							\$40.00
TOTAL FEE							\$750.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted,
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